

Observer SPORT

Town in second half slip

Uxbridge 2 Kingsbury Town 1
KINGSBURY'S poor recent league form continued with a diabolical second half performance losing them their game at Uxbridge on Tuesday night.

Carl Lindo scored a well-taken goal to put Town ahead, but Uxbridge levelled with a penalty, scored by Roy Marshall after Greg Zacharia

had been the victim of some play-acting by Keith Hibbert.

On the hour, Uxbridge took a decisive lead, Steve Cordery rifling home a shot from a corner.

Kingsbury Town: Smart, Bhatia, Fitzgerald, Murphy, White (Hill), S. Lucas, Zacharia, Atkins, Guller (Goodison), Lindo, Marshall.

Wealdstone hit goal avalanche

Rutlip 0 Wealdstone 6
A SECOND half goal avalanche finally enabled Wealdstone to do what they have failed to do so many times this season: thrash dreadful sides out of sight, writes Aaron Gransby.

In doing so, Stones set up a formality for the second leg of this Westgate Insurance Cup first round tie at Lower Mead next Tuesday.

After an awful first half, Wealdstone came alive after the break. In the 54th minute Danny Bailey scored his first goal for the club by shooting straight over the near-post Rutlip defence from out by the right corner flag.

Rutlip nearly equalised five minutes later when the otherwise impeccable Solomon Erlendo made his only mistake of the night, letting in Theo Edgar to shoot against the post.

But then Stones stopped messing about and went to town. After 63 minutes, Mark Harrison crossed from the left and Alan Cordice rifled a nonchalant volley past keeper Andy Jones.

Three minutes later, Harrison scored a classic. He was at least 35 yards from goal but looked up majestically and thumped an incredible shot straight into the back of the net past a bemused defence.

It was another six minutes before Harrison scored again, this time from the penalty spot after Cordice had been brought down. But Stones had still not finished. With Rutlip firing, they began to burst through the centre of their defence, Chris Wright finishing superbly from one such move in the 84th minute.

And with two minutes remaining Simon Otaleye shot home after another Wright effort had been blocked.

Wealdstone: Williams, Corbin, Harrison, Risk, Erlendo, Bailey, C. Brown (La Ronde), Morris, Cordice, Otaleye, Lynch (Wright).

Boro' misses prove costly

Windsor 3 Harrow Borough 1
INABILITY to convert their chances and a frailty in defence cost Borough dearly at Stone Meadow on Tuesday night, writes Tony Booth.

The hosts took a 4th minute lead when Richards volleyed in from a corner but were unable to add to their lead despite the prompting of ex-Borough winger Matt Lacey.

As half time approached Borough enjoyed a fine spell with Bolton having a shot well saved, Dicker hitting a post, Scott having his header tipped over and Evans hitting the crossbar.

More misses followed early in the second half and they were punished in the 76th minute when Harrow's centre half played a fine kick to an opponent and Watson headed home the resultant cross.

Bolton and Boltonson both went close before Evans reduced the deficit in the 81st minute from Bolton's post but unfortunately Borough were caught by a nuclear punch almost immediately with Franks setting the tone for the home side.

Harrow Borough: Hunter, Payne, Mewis, Cassidy, Bannister, Evans, Emmanuel, Scott, Bolton, O'Connor, Dicker.

Holmes goes for £4000

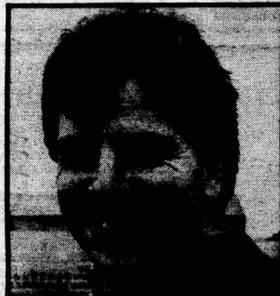
LAWRENCE Holmes has finally left Harrow Borough to join Leytonstone-Ilford for a fee of around £4,000.

After four weeks on the transfer list, 26-year-old striker Holmes agreed terms with the Earlsmead club's Vauxhall-Opel League premier division rivals. He was surprisingly allowed to leave after Borough splashed out a record £4,500 fee on Jimmy Bolton from Farnborough.

And Borough's income was further boosted when the talented Matt Lacey joined another premier division outfit, Windsor and Eton for £300.

But caretaker manager Keith Chamberlin is still waiting to hear whether fourth division Cambridge United are to take on Borough's transfer-listed left back Robbie Johnson. Although they are keen to do so, they may have to sell to afford him.

Bartlett is new favourite for Boro' job



© Gordon Bartlett - top tip to take over at Earlsmead.

HOUNSLOW boss Gordon Bartlett is the new favourite for the vacant Harrow Borough manager's job, but no appointment will be made until the beginning of next week.

Bartlett, one of the brightest young managers around, has already been interviewed and is understood to have made a good impression with Borough's interviewing panel of general manager Keith Chamberlin and football director Peter Rogers.

By Aaron Gransby

His successes include taking Southall to the FA Vase final at Wembley in 1986 and leading his current club Hounslow back to the Beazer Homes League from the Hellenic League.

Now he has taken Hounslow to second place in the league's southern division, despite operating on a shoestring budget. Among his players at the Denbigh Road club is former Wealdstone keeper Alex Welsh. He is also the first full-time employee of the Middlesex County FA, for whom he is county coach.

Bartlett confirmed to the Observer: "I have been approached and have already had an interview. If I was offered the job I would seriously consider it. But there are many other considerations, including the fact that Hounslow are lying second in the league and going so well."

Two other candidates who have already been interviewed for the vacant post are Colin Barnes, the Burnham boss, and Farnborough coach Alan Taylor.

But as Borough do not have any league games in the coming week, the board has decided to take its time in making an appointment. Meanwhile, Keith Chamberlin has been running the team for the last week.

"We don't want to reach a decision too hastily," said Chamberlin. "The club has received a number of applications for the manager's job and interviews are being conducted this week. There will be a full board meeting early next week at which a decision will be announced."

Six more candidates are to be interviewed on top of the three already seen. They are believed to include former Kingsbury boss Terry Dyson and ex-Hayes manager George Cooke. Once all the interviews have taken place, a shortlist of two or three will be drawn up for the board to consider and make their final decision.

Smith smiles through after leg break



KINGSBURY Town midfielder Adrian Smith smiles through the pain after breaking his leg in the local derby against Wembley on Saturday at Silver Jubilee Park.

Smith went in for a 50-50 ball with Wembley's Steve McGrath in the 36th minute of the Vauxhall-Opel League first division game, which finished 1-1, and was stretched off as soon as the break was diagnosed.

Later it was revealed that Smith had suffered a double fracture of the tibia and fibula. He is in plaster and a decision will be made soon on whether the leg will need amputation.

The talented midfielder or defender will certainly not play football again this season. Meanwhile, Wembley's players, many of whom were loan-mates of Smith last season, are having a collection to raise money for him.

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Hayes and Walton bar the way on Cup trail

WEALDSTONE and Wembley both face their toughest tests yet as they continue along the FA Cup trail on Saturday.

Stones are at home to Vauxhall-Opel League premier division side Hayes, who are having a mediocre season by their recent standards, but will still pose a big threat.

Their main marksmen last season was former Stone Mark Graves, who has been in prolific form since making the short trip to Church Road. Stones will be without Paul Wilkins who has an ankle injury but Mark Lawrence who missed Tuesday's thrashing of Rutlip is expected to be fit after sustaining a foot injury against Leicester.

Wembley travel to fellow Vauxhall-Opel first division side Walton and Hershman. In recent years, the Lions have tended to draw at Stonepond Lane, and another result like that will be sure to satisfy Lions boss Tony Waugh. He hopes to have a full squad to choose from.

out any competitive games after tonight when they entertain Havfield in the Middlesex Charity Cup. Mark Adams will be missing with a torn leg muscle and could be out for two weeks.

Kingsbury Town have to get over the serious injury to Adrian Smith when they travel to Chalfont St Peter, aiming to improve upon their recent league form. Alan Darforn will probably replace Smith with

Kevin Hill.

Raysers Lane are at home to Royston Town in a replay of last week's FA Vase encounter. Manager Don Durkin expects to stick closely to the side that earned a creditable draw.

Jimmy Davey and Martyn Kidd are expected to shrug off injuries in time to play for Edgeware Town against Abingdon in the Spartan League on Saturday.

Soccer fixtures

Thursday October 13	Friday October 14	Saturday October 15	Sunday October 16
Russell Grant's Middlesex Charity Cup: Harrow Borough v Havfield United (Earlsmead, 7.30pm)	FA Cup 2nd qualifying round: Wealdstone v Hayes (Lower Mead, 3pm); Walton and Hershman v Wembley.	Vauxhall-Opel League division one: Chalfont St Peter v Kingsbury Town.	FA Vase preliminary round replay: Raysers Lane v Royston Town (Luton Avenue, 7.30pm).
FA Vase preliminary round: Farnborough v Abingdon (White Lion Ground, 7.30pm).	Greenwich King George's League premier division: Edgeware Town v Abingdon (White Lion Ground, 7.30pm).	Blackburn County League: Harrow St Marys v Maple Cross (Postborough Road, 7.30pm).	Westgate Insurance Cup first round second leg: Wealdstone v Rutlip (Lower Mead, 7.30pm).
Vauxhall-Opel League division one: Kingsbury Town v Collier Row (Silver Jubilee Park, 7.30pm).	Wednesday October 19	Greenwich King George's League premier division: Edgeware Town v Amersham Town (White Lion Ground, 7.30pm).	

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